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The Berry-Ball Dry Goods Company

Our representative spent a few days in New York last week looking for New Coats and Suits. He was fortunate in securing these Show Room samples.

100 New Separate Coats and Suits for Ladies.

No two Coats or Suits alike.

All show room samples. Garments we could not sell under regular conditions as they are too expensive. The manufacturer was through with them as samples. We purchased them for much less than we would pay for cheap ordinary Coats and Suits.

COATS. Black, Navy, Tan and Brown in plain colors. Mixtures of all kinds. Regular price, \$20.00 to \$38.00. Sale, \$9.00 to \$22.50.

SUITS. Plain Colors and Light Colors in Fancy Mixtures. Regular price \$25.00 to \$42.50. Sale, \$18.50 to \$22.50.

CURTAIN STRETCHERS.

Once used will pay for themselves. Telephone and let us deliver one. \$1.00, \$1.50 and \$2.00.

New Wall Papers and Rugs

NEW FOULARD SILKS.

Just received a new line of the Shower Proof Foulard Silks in all the latest shades and patterns, 24 inches wide. Prices, \$1.00 and \$1.25 per yard.

Thursday Specials

1 Lot Men's Light Weight Overcoats. Regular Prices, \$10.00 to \$16.50.

Thursday, \$6.75.

The Berry-Ball Dry Goods Co.

One Hundred Dollars a Month

Would you consider a salary of the above amount? If so, drop me a line. Possibly you might make much more than that, others have and are doing it right along. Worth investigating any way. Would be glad to show you my proposition.

Address, Lock Box 52 - - St. Johnsbury, Vt.

THE Passumpsic (Mutual) Savings Bank

Main Street, St. Johnsbury, Vt.

The Trustees of this solid and well-known institution feeling that the present time depositors of the Bank are entitled to receive the highest rate of interest allowed by law, which is 4 PER CENT PER ANNUM, expect to pay that rate for 1911, as well as the taxes on all deposits.

Deposits made on or before May 5, will be allowed interest from the first of said month.

T. M. HOWARD, President,

W. P. SMITH, Vice President,

W. S. BOYNTON, Treasurer.

Save 500 Certificates For This Traveling Bag

A mighty useful article for anybody--will give good service for years. Well made from genuine walrus leather with covered frame and artificial leather lining. One of those practical premiums that demonstrates the advantages of our Profit-Sharing Plan. Save the coupons and make it yours.



Brown's Cigar Store

FRATERNITY MEETINGS.

Passumpsic Lodge, No. 27, F. and A. M. Regular Communication, Thursday evening, May 11. CLARENCE E. MORSE, W. M. DELOS M. BACON, Secretary.

Haswell Royal Arch Chapter, No. 11. Stated Convocation, Friday evening, May 12. CHARLES BENNETT, E. H. P. DELOS M. BACON, Secretary.

Palatine Commandery, No. 5, K. T. Stated Conclave, will be held Tuesday evening, May 9. EDWARD P. HAMILTON, Em. Commander. Official: DELOS M. BACON, Recorder.

Knight of Pythias. Regular Convention of Apollo Lodge, No. 2, Tuesday evening, May 2. L. MORRILL, Act. C. C. W. C. HARVEY, K. R. S.

Green Mountain Lodge, No. 49, N. E. O. P. Regular meetings on the second and fourth Tuesday evenings of each month at Odd Fellows Hall, Railroad Street. H. S. HUGHES, Warden. D. M. NOYES, Secretary.

LOCAL NOTICES.

[Notices will be inserted in this column in reading matter type at the rate of ten cents a line for the first insertion and five cents a line for subsequent insertions of the same copy.]

Organ Recital.

An organ recital will be given by Mrs. Margaret Gorham Glaser, assisted by local talent at eight o'clock sharp at Grace Methodist church next Monday evening, May 1st. An admission of 25 cents will be charged. Those who are unable to procure tickets from the committee can obtain them at the door on the night of the recital. See posters later.

Telephone 29-2 N. E. 'Phone for fresh cream every morning. A. F. LAWRENCE.

The ladies of St. Andrew's parish will hold their annual sale of aprons and homemade candy Thursday afternoon and evening, May 4, beginning at three o'clock. Dinner will be served at six o'clock for 25 cents.

Get a pound of Cedar Lavender Compound at Searles' drug store and protect your furs, only 15 cents. Ask the man who has used it. Kyanize Interior and Floor Varnish. The Peck Co., 21 Eastern Avenue.

Second hand Soda Fountain for sale cheap, perfect working order. Inquire Searles' drug store, St. Johnsbury, Vt.

Atlas Cement makes the best concrete. That's why Uncle Sam uses it on the Panama Canal. The Peck Co., 21 Eastern Avenue.

Easy to put on, hard to come off. Colonial Wagon and Implement Paint. The Peck Co., 21 Eastern Ave.

The practical covering for barn, shed or henhouse. Perfection Roofing. The Peck Co., 21 Eastern Ave.

A. J. Roy, Barber shop, No. 83 Eastern Avenue.

Carpenters and Contractors--the men who know--advocate the use of Perfection Fibre Wall Plaster. The Peck Co., 21 Eastern Ave.

Better than home made. Berwick Oak Grove pound cake, at Gleason's store. Pittsburgh Perfect Hog, Poultry and Field Fence. Wires welded, not clamped or wrapped. The Peck Co., 21 Eastern Ave.

It's time to think about painting that piazza floor. The right stuff is Colonial Wax Floor Paint. The Peck Company, 21 Eastern Ave.

A pound of regular 40 cent chocolates for 25 cents at Searles' drug store every Saturday and Sunday.

I have now on hand the Coffee sold at the Fairbanks Grocery store, known as the Fairbanks Special Blend of Coffee, 35 cents per pound. A. H. Gleason.

TOTAL OF FIVE BURGLARIES.

Evident a Professional Vagabond. St. Johnsbury--Got a Lot of Boxes.

Four more burglaries were reported soon after the robbery of S. A. Moore's residence last week and in each case quite valuable booty secured. The officers believe the robberies were committed by a man or men in the village selling needles, filters and other articles which gave them an excuse for getting into houses and finding promising fields. They arrested one of the gang of peddlers in Lyndonville last Thursday evening and he is in jail here. He gives his name as Frank Lavalley but he has not been given a hearing. The officers have learned enough of his record to hold him until the case is thoroughly investigated.

The robberies reported were at the house of Mrs. Virginia Benoit on Pearl street where a gold watch and \$20 in money were taken. Miss Mary Shore's house on Railroad street was entered and about \$300 worth of goods taken from her. L. V. Hastings' tenement in the same house was entered and about \$150 worth of goods taken. The other robbery was on Clinton avenue where the thief got \$9 in cash belonging to Mrs. L. P. Thayer of Morrisville who is visiting her sister, Mrs. G. F. Cheney.

About the same time the residence of Henry Crabtree in Wells River was entered and about \$250 worth of goods stolen. The officers believe it is the same man that did the robbery here but they have no further clue of him. The same method seemed to be followed in each place. The thief evidently had keys to turn any lock and entered the places while the people were out, and got away before they got home.

Use American Liver Tablets.

TO CLOSE ON SUNDAY.

Only a Limited Service at the Post Office.—Plan for Special Delivery Suggested.

Editor of the Caledonian:

The Sunday closing movement in the post offices, inaugurated in the big city of Detroit last fall, has now become widespread and will soon be adopted by all the first and second class offices of the country. The movement has recently been heartily endorsed by the Post Office Department and I have received instructions to adopt a Sunday closing plan in the St. Johnsbury office as soon as practical. So far as I have discussed the proposed plan it has met with hearty approval by the public, who realize that out of the restricted service planned for the clerks and carriers secure one day in seven for rest which men in all other walks of life now have.

At present, though the office is only open one hour on Sunday to the general public, it takes half the force to handle the incoming mail and distribute it to the patrons calling at the window. Under the proposed arrangement the number employed on Sunday could be reduced to one clerk, and by our regular system of Sunday rotation each clerk would be working only one Sunday in every five. The carriers under the present arrangement work every other Sunday, but under the new arrangement there would be no Sunday work for them except as one would be detailed every Sunday afternoon to make the evening collection. It seems to me that this would reduce Sunday labor in the post office to its lowest terms, while at the same time the public would be served both as to receiving their mail and to having it despatched on the Sunday night mail train.

In brief, the plan that I should like to adopt on Sunday, May 8, to be carried out on Sundays following, would be to have no window delivery service but to have the lobby open all day for patrons that now own lock boxes. The department has made two provisions for those who might feel that there is any discrimination in this service.

It has authorized me to rent boxes for use on Sundays only, and it has also broadened the operation of the special delivery service. It provides that any one who desires his letters on Sunday can have the same delivered by leaving his mail in a fourth class mail at the post office the Saturday previous.

The plan thus briefly outlined is in successful operation in many offices in this country much larger than St. Johnsbury and at the recent postmasters' convention in Boston several New England postmasters reported that each succeeding Sunday fewer patrons of the lock boxes called at the office, indicating, as the department suggests in a letter on this subject, that the calling for mail on Sunday is in many cases merely a habit.

To carry out the plan by detailing only one clerk to work Sundays would necessitate a restriction in handling second, third and fourth class mail and in many offices this is not touched at all until Monday morning. I think, however, arrangements can be made to sort the daily papers for those renting boxes and as these details are worked out the public will be duly advised.

Such a plan, to be successful, must have the hearty support of the public for the public are, in a sense, stockholders of the plant and the postmaster is the one they have chosen to manage it. He has no ownership in the property and cannot order it opened or closed as if it were his store or a manufacturing plant. But I believe that the patrons of the office are in favor of restricting Sunday work wherever possible and will support me in the method of Sunday closing which has worked so successfully elsewhere and which seems to all my office force the most feasible plan for St. Johnsbury.

Respectfully,

A. F. STONE, P. M.

GOLF CLUB OFFICERS.

Annual Election Held Last Week—A Large Membership.

At the annual meeting of the Old Pine Golf Club, held last week Tuesday evening, the following officers were elected: President, Herbert W. Blodgett. Vice President, E. S. Bailey. Secretary and Treasurer, Warren Peck.

Directors, Rev. George W. C. Hill, Arthur E. Sprague, Charles W. Steele, Mrs. E. H. Ross, Mrs. Raymond A. Pearl, and Mrs. C. H. Horton.

The club is now in a flourishing condition, there being at present 103 members, having joined the past year, and there is a substantial balance in the treasury. A cordial invitation is extended to all who are interested in out door sports or in the club in a general way to join. It is felt that the new far distant future to enlarge the club house, have a tennis court and in many ways improve the already very attractive club house and surroundings, and that winter sports as well as summer may be indulged in with this as a center.

Keep good throats good. Use the American Throat Tablets.

FOR CLEAN VILLAGE.

The Trustees to Install System of Refuse Cans and Employ Man to Tend Streets and Parks.

The trustees of the village have practically decided on some steps that will keep the streets and parks of St. Johnsbury cleaner and more attractive than they have been in the past. The trustees will also appeal to the Commercial and Woman's clubs to cooperate with them in interesting all citizens and visitors in making the village a spotless town. The trustees are to purchase galvanized iron waste cans to be located around the village. One man will be employed and a horse that has done enough hard service in the street department to deserve an easier job will be used on a cart to gather the waste from the cans and the man will also pick up the litter in the streets and parks. With a little care and effort on the part of the citizens the appearance of the village can be at its best during the coming season.

The village trustees have purchased a steam drill and will soon begin getting out stone from the ledge purchased of Mr. Penniman. They have sent Superintendent Russell to several towns that have thoroughly tested Granolithic side walks to study how they did their work and all new construction on village walks this season will be granolithic. There will be quite a large amount of repairing done on the walks also. The trustees have not yet announced where the construction and repair work will be done.

THE AUTOMOBILE SHOW.

Invitation To State Association To Make a Run To St. Johnsbury During Exhibition Here.

The St. Johnsbury Automobile Association is busy arranging for the show here. They will give a great exhibition—one well worth seeing for the ordinary spectator but it is going to mean more to the owner of a car because he can pick up a fund of valuable information at very little expense. It will be especially valuable to the person who is thinking of purchasing a machine.

That it is receiving state recognition is shown by the following notice which has been sent by Sec. S. Ballard of Montpelier to the members of the Automobile Club of Vermont, announcing the St. Johnsbury show to be held in St. Johnsbury May 10-11-12th.

"The St. Johnsbury Automobile Association invite all members of the A. C. V. to make a run to St. Johnsbury during the Auto Show to be held there May 10-11-12.

Elaborate preparations are under way by the show committee in the matter of gorgeous electrical decorations, numerous motor vehicle exhibits by competitive dealers throughout New Hampshire and Vermont.

An orchestra will furnish music afternoons and evenings. A dining hall is being fitted up within the Show building and adequate parking facilities are being provided for automobiles. In fact, every step is being taken to provide comfort, convenience and good entertainment to visitors.

Members of the A. C. V. are earnestly requested to co-operate in making this exhibition an event of the season."

S. S. BALLARD, Secretary. The Automobile Club of Vermont.

ANNUAL MEETING MONDAY.

Music Committee Furnishes Program For Woman's Club.

The annual meeting of the St. Johnsbury Woman's club for the election of officers for the ensuing year will be held at Pythian Hall, Monday, May 1st, at three o'clock. Music will be furnished under the direction of the music committee, Mrs. Ruth Hooker, chairman, and will consist of selections by a ladies' quintet orchestra and a vocal solo by Mrs. Ida P. Brooks. The executive board will meet at two o'clock.

PARENTS TO MEET.

Will Organize To Cooperate With the Teachers—Meet at Museum Thursday Evening.

A meeting of all interested in the formation of a Parents' and Teachers' association will be held at the Museum hall Thursday evening of this week. This move is the result of the work of the Civics committee of the Woman's Club and a committee appointed at a recent meeting will report a constitution and bylaws and a list of nominations. The work planned for the organization is a very important one and it is hoped that a large proportion of the parents of the village will come out and ally themselves with the organization. The notice is limited but all will be welcome. Lieut. Gov. Slack is chairman of the committee.

When a man is working

for all he is worth, he should insure for what he will be worth if he lives to be worth it. Insurance capitalizes possibilities. National Life Ins. Co. of Vt. (Mutual).

W. W. SPRAGUE & SON, Gen. Agents of Northeastern Vermont, St. Johnsbury, Vermont.

DEMOCRATS' PROGRAM.

Will Only Offer the "Farmer's Free Trade Bill" in Addition to What They Have Passed.

Washington, April 24. Esteemed Neighbors: The democratic House leaders give out the important information that their business program for this session will end with the passage of the so-called "Farmer's free trade bill," which immediately followed the reciprocity bill and is now before the House. No attempt will be made to enact any further tariff legislation, and the contemplated tariff schedules will go over to next winter. They will not be reported out of committee, even, unless there is another radical change of mind. Therefore, after the present measure is out of the way the House will practically suspend and wait on the senate. In the meantime the House will take action on sundry local and private bills, but will fight shy of the tariff. In this connection it is noted that the democratic majority on the Ways and Means committee have—or had—definitely decided to recommend the abolition of all duties on wool, the raw product, and make it absolutely free. This was to be followed by very sweeping and radical reductions on all goods manufactured from wool.

Some such program as the above had been apprehended for weeks, so it was only recently decided to make raw wool free, but the hurriedness of opposition from every state in the North and West has caused the majority to pause and take thought. They fear that they will blister their fingers if they rush their free trade program much further at present, and therefore they will continue their investigations in committee—no more tariff will be brought out. It is probable that the free trade bill now under discussion will occupy the remainder of the month, at least, and its passage will close the tariff program for the session. As to this measure, there is a considerable sentiment among members of both parties in the House that it may be largely amended before it passes, though it will unquestionably get through in some form. Representatives Foster and Plumley agree that the duty on boots and shoes might well be wiped out, and are likely to so vote. Nevertheless, the republican minority, possibly agreeing to some items of the bill, will be very nearly solidly opposed to it in its present form. Some democrats may also insist on certain amendments. Under these circumstances the shape in which it will reach the senate cannot be guessed at.

We are yet wearing furs and overcoats here, whenever it is warm enough to go out of doors. Let us dismiss the subject, and talk about some men, women and things.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Plumley of Northfield are here this week, the guests of Representative Plumley.

The senate committees have not yet been announced, though they are expected to come to light today. Such an overhauling and reorganizing has not been known in years, and the Vermont senators are likely to be parties to the changing conditions, nothing definite as to them can yet be stated.

Representative Plumley, successor of the late President Buckham

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ESSEX COUNTY COURT.

Unusual Experience of Two Murder Cases to Dispose of.—Special Grand Jury Called.

Essex County Court convened at Guildhall yesterday forenoon at 10 o'clock with Judge A. A. Hall of St. Albans presiding. It has been many years since a court in that county has had so many serious cases before it as the present one. A special grand jury was called to hear the evidence against Arthur Bean of Maldstone who it is alleged shot his mother and sister.

The trial of Mrs. J. Marshall Dodge of Lunenburg charged with shooting William Heath is expected to be commenced next Monday. An inquest under the law passed by the last legislature was held in Lunenburg by States Attorney H. B. Amey before Assistant Judge K. T. Brown last week. Under this act a secret hearing is held in which the states attorney can question the witnesses to be called in a case and learn what evidence they are to present. No information is allowed to be given so only the states attorney knows what the case will be.

Attorneys Harland B. Howe and Harry Blodgett of St. Johnsbury will defend Mrs. Dodge; and Attorney General John G. Sargent of Ludlow and States Attorney Harry B. Amey of Island Pond will appear for the state. Some delay is anticipated in selecting a jury inasmuch as the county has only a small population and the case has been so widely discussed that it may be difficult to find 12 men who had not formed an opinion, it is feared.

Not since the conviction and execution of Mrs. Mary Rogers for the murder of her husband six years ago has a woman been placed on trial for her life in Vermont. Aside from the fact that the defendant in the present case is a woman there is added interest because of the prominence of Mrs. Dodge, who is a well-to-do widow; the fact that Heath had always borne an excellent reputation, and the absence, so far as popular knowledge is concerned, of any apparent motive for the murder.

Chestnut Coal is 25c. Higher this year.

The great demand for Chestnut Coal has forced the operators to advance this size, hoping thereby to get more people to use Stove or Pea Coal. The usual spring drop has taken place, but not so much on Chestnut size.

GEO. P. MOORE the Coal Man

HAMMER THIS VARNISH

You can Dent the Wood but You can't Crack the Varnish

A liquid preparation made expressly for finishing floors, either natural or painted.

Dries to walk on in twenty-four to thirty-six hours and "wears like granite."

Stains and finishes at the same application, and is not affected by hot or cold water, or soap and water.

Dries reasonably quick, yet from the nature of its composition is always elastic, thus thoroughly resisting the constant tramp of feet, and does not crumble and turn white like other varnish finishes.

Dries with a beautiful gloss and can be rubbed to a dead finish if desired.

KYANIZE FLOOR FINISH

Is just as good for any interior finish as it is for floors. A pint or a half pint will make any table, chair, bureau, chiffonier,—in fact any article of furniture—look like new.

Kyanize is sold under our absolute guarantee. We recommend Kyanize for hard wood only.

N. B. For soft wood we recommend Colonial Interior Floor Paint and Colonial Wax Floor Paint. It has been praised by many and knocked by none. These paints are also sold under our absolute guarantee. All colors.

"Under our absolute guarantee" means that if you are dissatisfied in any particular, we refund your money. These are generous terms—you surely can afford to give our products a trial.

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